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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, TS, OVIP (BELKHODJA, HASSAN)

SUBJECT: FY-77 PARTIAL IV NOMINEE HASSEN BELKHODJA

REF: STATE 148041 AND STATE 144737

1. BELKHODJA CALLED ME THIS MORNING TO THANK ME FOR MY LETTER OF JUNE 8, EXTENDING PARTIAL IV GRANT INVITATION AND SAID HE WOULD BE PLEASED TO ACCEPT. HOWEVER, HE ADDED HE WAS CONFUSED AS HE HAD BEEN LED TO BELIEVE BY TIFFANY INDUSTRIES THAT HE WAS TO RECEIVE AN INVITATION FROM SECRETARY BERGLAND FOR THE VISIT. IN FACT, BELKHODJA RECEIVED INVITATION TO CALL ON SECTR. BERGLAND IN CONTEXT OF VISIT SPONSORED BY TIFFANY (STATE 144737).

2. I TOLD MINISTER EMBASSY WAS UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH ARRANGEMENTS BUT, HAVING LEARNED HE WAS PLANNING U.S. VISIT, WISHED TO OFFER "SUPPLEMENTARY" OPPORTUNITY TO PROLONG AND EXPAND IT IF HE COULD DO SO.

3. BELKHODJA SAID HE HAD NOT PLANNED ON TRIP BUT WOULD GO IF INVITED, IMPLYING HE EXPECTED ALL-EXPENSES-PAID TRIP. I TOLD HIM I WOULD TRY TO CLARIFY OUR
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UNDERSTANDING AT ONCE.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY IS EMBARRASSED BY THIS TURN OF EVENTS AND IS RELUCTANT TO SACRIFICE ONE OF OUR ALREADY-PROGRAMMED FULL IV GRANTS FOR FY-77. HOPE CU/NEA AND DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE THROUGH CONTACT WITH TIFFANY CAN RESOLVE OUR PRESENT PERPLEXITY. ADVISE.

5. BELKHODJA'S TIFFANY CONTACT HAS BEEN COMPANY PRESIDENT
JOY SIMPKINS. COMPANY LOCATED IN MARYLAND HEIGHTS,
MISSOURI.
MULCAHY

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